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SUBJECT: U.N. WATCH STATIONS

REF: STATE 122253; SINAI 1146

1. UN SOURCE JERUSALEM HAS TOLD US THAT GENERAL SIILASVUO
HAS ASKED HIS STAFF TO LOOK INTO MODERNIZING CURRENT UN
OBSERVATION POST CAPABILITY AND EQUIPMENT (WHICH IS DESCRIBED
AS WORLD WAR II VINTAGE - CONVENTIONAL BINOCULARS) KEEPING IN
MIND POSSIBLE REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW TASKS IN MIDDEL EAST.

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SIILASVUO HAS SET UP UN MILITARY WORKING GROUP TO LOOK INTO
ALL ELEMENTS OF PROBLEM INCLUDING ESPECIALLY CHECKING U.S.
EQUIPMENT AND EXPERIENCE IN SINAI.

2. FOLLOWING TALKS WITH SFM, PLAN IS TO BEEF UP INITIALLY A
SITE IN GOLAN (OP-71) WHICH HAS COMMANDING VIEW OF TERRAIN IN
ALL DIRECTIONS. NIGHT SIGHT CAPABILITY IS FIRST PRIORITY

WHILE SUBSEQUENTLY USE OF SENSORS AND ALL-WEATHER CAPABILITY
I.E. RADAR ARE ALSO BEING CONSIDERED. SECOND SITE BEING
PLANNED FOR IMPROVED CAPABILITY WOULD BE SOMEWHERE IN SINAI.

3. SOURCE SAYS THAT SIILASVUO HAS NOT TALKED TO ANY OF THE
INVOLVED GOVERNMENTS ABOUT THIS AND WAS FURIOUS WHEN HE LEARNED
THAT GENERAL PHILIPS HAD BROACHED SUBJECT RECENTLY TO WALDHEIM.
AS A RESULT OF PHILIP'S INDISCRETION, SIILASVUO HAS BEEN
ASKED TO KEEP UN INFORMED ON THIS MATTER.

4. SIILASVUO HAD TOLD NEWLIN AND THORNE THAT COST WOULD BE
A PROBLEM, HOWEVER HE HOPED TO OBTAIN NIGHT-SIGHT
EQUIPMENT FROM JAPANESE.
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